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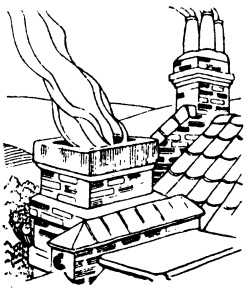
TOM, THE CHIMNEY-SWEEP

1. *UP THE CHIMNEY*



A. This is a *chimney:* the *smoke* from the fire is going up the chimney.

This boy is *clean.*

This boy is *dirty.*

His name was Tom.

The smoke made the inside of the chimney dirty. This chimney is very dirty; the smoke will not go up it. When a chimney was very dirty, the people in the house sent for a chimney-*sweep* to clean the chimney.

Tom was a chimney-sweep: he was a boy who cleaned (swept) chimneys. The chimneys in old houses are very big. A boy could *climb* up the chimney.

Here you see Tom climbing up in a chimney: he is cleaning the chimney.

Tom's mother died when Tom was very small. He lived with a man named Grimes and worked for him. Grimes and Tom lived in a

very dirty little house in a dirty little street.

B. One day a man came riding on a horse down the dirty little street. Tom threw a stone at the horse. The horse jumped and the man nearly fell down. He was angry, but he said, "Tell me, bad boy, where does Mr. Grimes live? I want his boy to sweep the chimneys at the big house."

Grimes came out of his house. The man said, "Are you Grimes? I am Sir John's servant at the big house. Bring your boy to sweep the chimneys tomorrow."

Here you see Grimes riding on a donkey to Sir John's house. Tom is walking.

As they went along the road they saw a Poor Old Woman. She was very poor. She had bad shoes, and her clothes were black and old and ugly.

Grimes said, " Do you want to ride with me on the donkey? "

She said, " No, thank you. I will walk with this boy."

So she walked with Tom and talked to him.

She said, " Where do you live? Why is your face so dirty? Have you no clean clothes? "

C. They went down a hill and came to a little river. The sun was very hot. Grimes went to the river and washed his face. Tom said, " I want to wash my face," but Grimes said, " Why do you want to wash your face? It will soon be dirty again when you go up Sir John's chimneys. . . . Come on! "

But Tom went and began to wash his face. Grimes was angry and hit Tom.

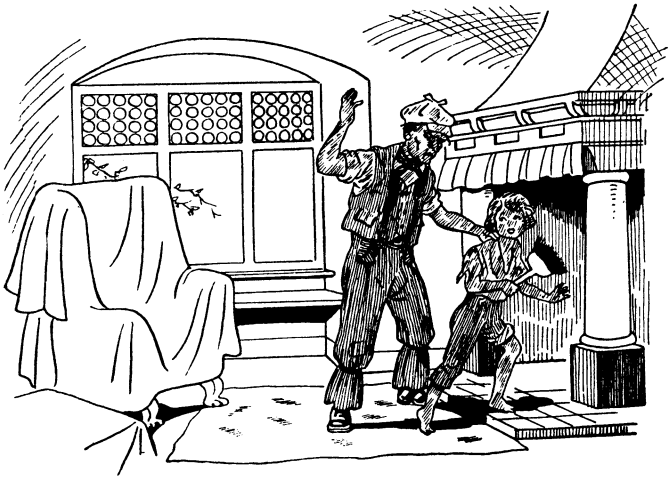
The Poor Woman dressed in black looked at him. " I know you, Grimes! " she said. " If you hit that boy again, I shall be angry."

Grimes looked at her. Then he looked down.

" Go and sit down there," she said. " Tom, go and wash your face."

Then she said, " Now you may go on to Sir John's house."

She stood near the little river. Tom and Grimes went up on to the road. Tom looked back: the Old Woman was not there! He could not see her! She was not near the river. She was not in the field! Where had she hidden?

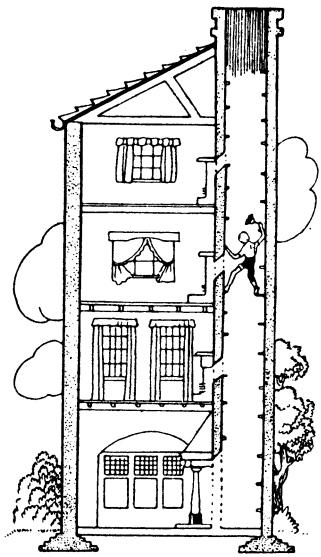


D. Grimes and Tom came to the Big House. A servant sent them round to the back of the house. Then another servant brought them into a big room.

When a boy swept a chimney, dirt fell down and fell on the tables and chairs and everything. So all the things in the room were covered.

"Go on!" said Grimes, and he hit Tom. "Up!"

2. *DOWN THE CHIMNEY AND OVER THE WALL*



A. Tom went up the chimney. He went up and up and up. There were many rooms.

In each room there was a fire-place. The chimney went up at the back of the fire-places.

Tom went on, and on, and on: he went up to the top. Then he came down—and down—and down—and down.

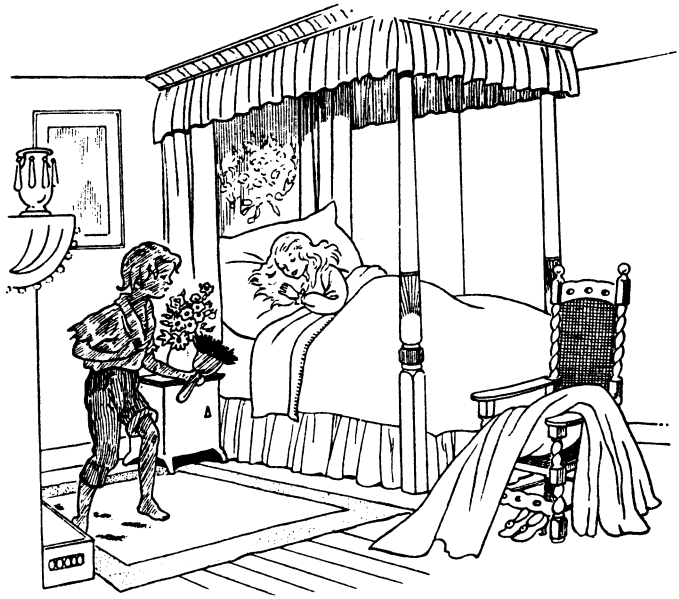
Then he thought, "This is the fire-place of the big room where Grimes is waiting. I must go out here—through this fire-place."

So Tom went out from the chimney into the fire-place, and out from the fire-place into the room. It was not the big room! It was another room over the big room. There were pictures of flowers on the white walls of the room. There was a table with a pot of flowers

on it. There were chairs covered with beautiful cloth. Tom had never seen such a beautiful room.

Then he saw a little bed in the room. There was a little girl in the bed. She was very beautiful. Her eyes were shut. She was asleep.

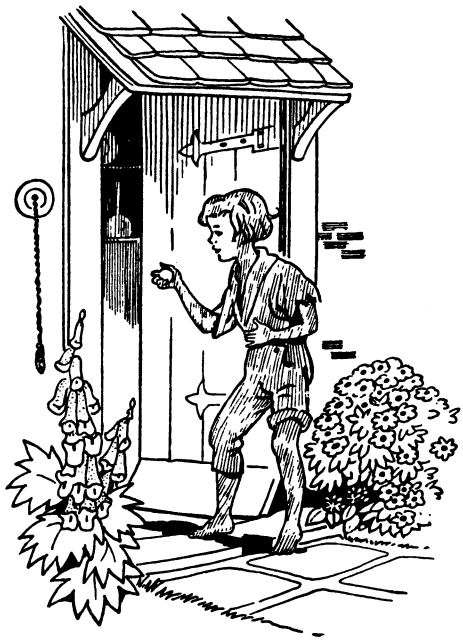
Tom ran back to the fire-place, but he hit the table. It fell, and the pot of flowers fell. *Crash!* The little girl opened her eyes and saw Tom. She cried out, "Oh! Oh! Oh! Help! Help! Help!"



B. Servants ran into the room. Tom jumped out of the window. He fell on to a little tree. He fell down from the tree, and he ran across the garden. Servants ran after him. Then he came to a wall: he climbed over the wall and jumped down the other side. He was in a big field. He ran across the field and came to another field. Then he went up a hill—and down—and over another hill. He ran on—and on—and on.

The sun was hot. He had had no food. He wanted food and water. He had run far.

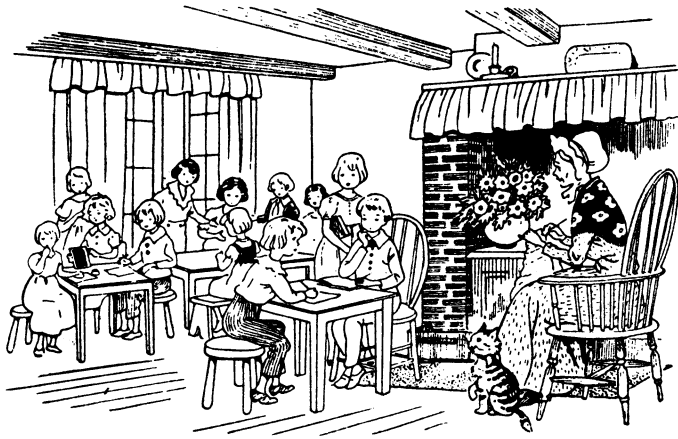
" I cannot go on," he said. Then he looked down from the top of a hill. He saw a little house, near a river. There was a garden in front of the house. There was a woman in a white dress in the garden. " I will ask her for food and water," said Tom.



He went down the hill.

It was very far. He went on—and on—and on. He came to a lane. He went along the lane—far—very far. Then he saw the little house and the garden. He opened the door.

3. *THE LITTLE HOUSE*



It was a very pretty room. There was a big fire-place: there were flowers in the fire-place (not a fire because it was a hot day). There was a big chair near the fire-place. An old woman in a white dress was sitting in the chair. At her side there was a big cat. On the other side of the room there were twelve children. They were sitting at little tables. They were doing their lessons. Some were reading; some were writing.

The Old Woman dressed in white looked up. "Oh!" she said. "A chimney-sweep! Go away! I do not want a chimney-sweep."

" Water! " cried Tom; and he fell down.

" Poor boy! " said the Old Woman, coming to him. " He is ill."

She took him up and put him on a bed in another room. Then she brought him some milk and some bread.

" Come! " she said, " eat the bread. It is good bread. I made it myself."

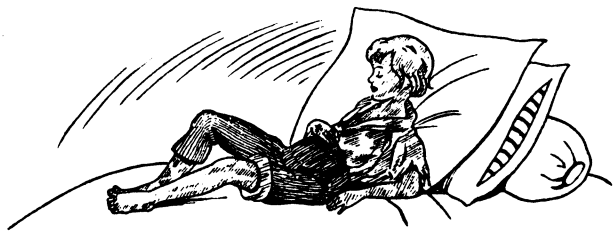
" I cannot eat," said Tom.

" Poor boy," said the Old Woman. " He is very ill."

He shut his eyes. His head was very hot. His body was hot; it was like fire. He thought of the cold water in the little river. He thought of the Poor Woman in a black dress, and the Old Woman in a white dress.

" Cold water," he said. " Cold — cold — water. Little river . . . river . . . water."

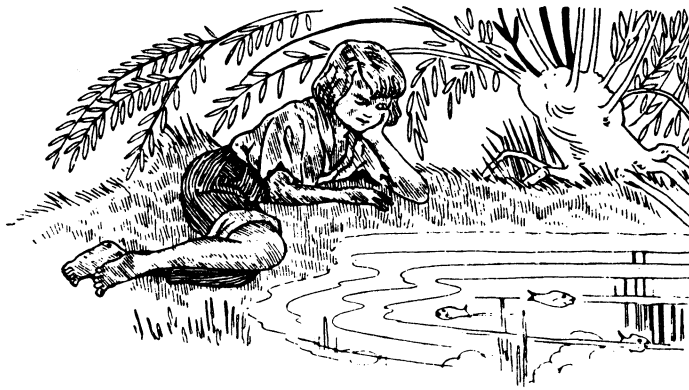
Sleep came over him.



4. *THE DREAM*

When we *dream* we see things in our sleep. Tom was dreaming. He dreamt that he was at the side of the little river.

He looked down into the water. He could see the stones under the water, and little fishes *swimming* among the stones and the long grass which grew up through the water.



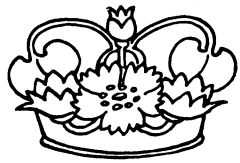
He put his hand in the water: "Cold! Cold!"

He thought that he saw the face of the Old Woman in the water. Was it the Old Woman whom he saw by the river? Or was it the Old Woman in the little house? He did not know. Then he looked again: there was no face in the

water. He looked behind him; no one was there. He looked in the water again; and he saw the face.

"I want to be a fish," he said. "I want to be a fish and swim in the water."

He put his feet in the water. He went down into the water. He saw the face of the Old Woman in front of him. The water came over his head. The Old Woman was there in front of him; but she was not an old woman. She was beautiful and young. She had a long green dress made of water-plants and a *crown* of water-flowers on her head. Water-fairies were swimming round her, and went behind her.



A CROWN

She said, "Fairies! I have brought you a new little brother. I have come with him to this place from the big house. I have been with him all the time, but he has not seen me. You must be with him, but he must not see you. He must not be *hurt:* no bad thing must come to him. He is not a bad boy; he will be a very good boy—in time."

Tom did not hear this. He did not see the water-fairies. He was asleep.

5. *TOM, THE WATERBABY*

A. Tom opened his eyes. He had been changed. He had been changed into a water-baby. He was swimming along in the water. He was very happy. He *swam* up to the top. The top of the water was his sky: he could not see out of it. He swam down to the bottom. There were many *creatures* living on the bottom. There were little creatures called *Crickets:* they came out from under the stones, like rabbits in a field. Then he saw *Caddises.* Each caddis lived in a little house. It made its house by putting bits of wood and bits of grass and little stones on its body. The house had a little door. When the house was ready, the caddis shut the door and went to sleep. As the caddis slept it changed into a fly.

Tom wanted to see what was inside these little houses. He pulled open the door of a caddis-house. Tom broke the door of the house. The water-fairies saw him do this: they were very sad. The caddis was very angry. She was just going to sleep.

"Look what you have done!" she said. "You have broken my door. I was just going

caddis
cricket

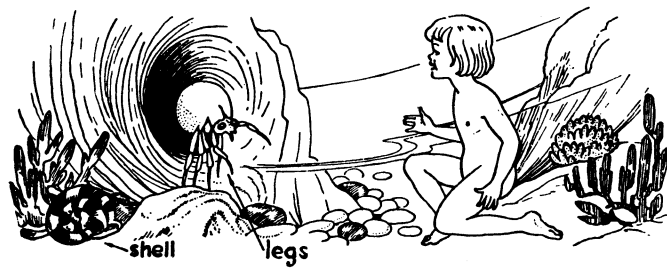
to sleep. Now I must make a new door. Bad boy! Go away!"

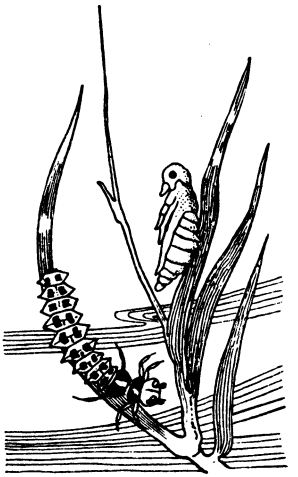
Tom swam on. He saw many little fishes. He caught a little fish in his hand: it was very afraid. It got away, but Tom caught another. "Oh! Oh! Oh!" cried the little fish. The other little fishes called out, "Save him! Save him!" Then the great big mother-fish came, with angry eyes and swam at Tom and hit him on the head, and her big mouth opened to bite him.

Tom opened his hand and the little fish got out of it, and Tom swam quickly away.

Tom was not happy now. There were no other boys here. There were caddises and crickets and fishes, but they were angry with him and did not want to be his friends. He had no friends in this place.

B. He went on. Then he saw a creature in a hole in the side of the river. It had a big body.





The body was inside a *shell.* It had six *legs.* It had big eyes. Its face was like a donkey's face.

"Oh!" said Tom. "What an ugly creature! Oh! You *are* ugly!"

Then a long arm came out very quickly and caught Tom's nose.

"Aw! Aw!" cried Tom. "You are hurting me!"

"Am I ugly?"

"No! No! No! You are beautiful."

"Very beautiful?"

"Yes. Very beautiful!"

"No; I am not. I'm very ugly, but soon I shall be beautiful. Sit there, and see!"

The shell became bigger and bigger. Then Tom saw a line along the back. The shell was opening. Something inside the shell was coming out. The thing from inside the shell looked about: it saw a long grass growing up out of the water. It walked up the grass. Tom went up to see what it would do. It sat in the

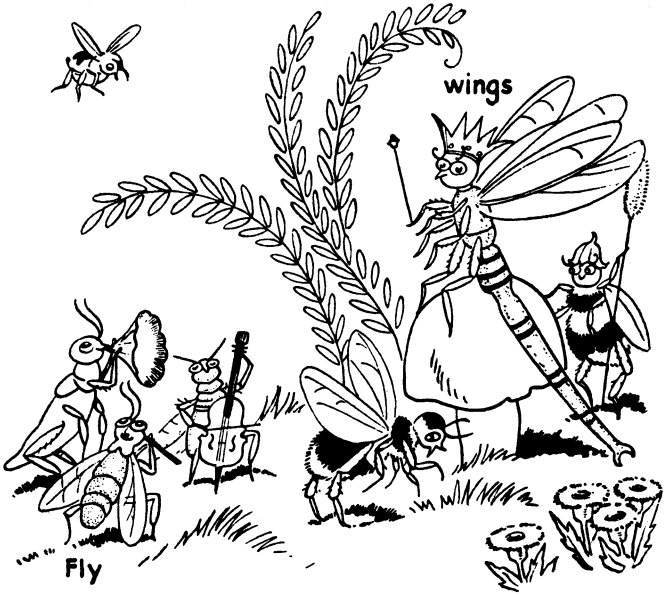
sunlight on the top of the grass. It became black and blue with golden lines and marks on it. Four *wings* came out. It had big eyes, like jewels.

It was a *dragon-fly*.

"Oh, you beautiful creature!" cried Tom.

"Yes," it said, "I am beautiful now. I am a dragon-fly. I am the King of All the *Flies*."

Tom put out his hand to catch the dragon-fly.



KING OF ALL THE FLIES

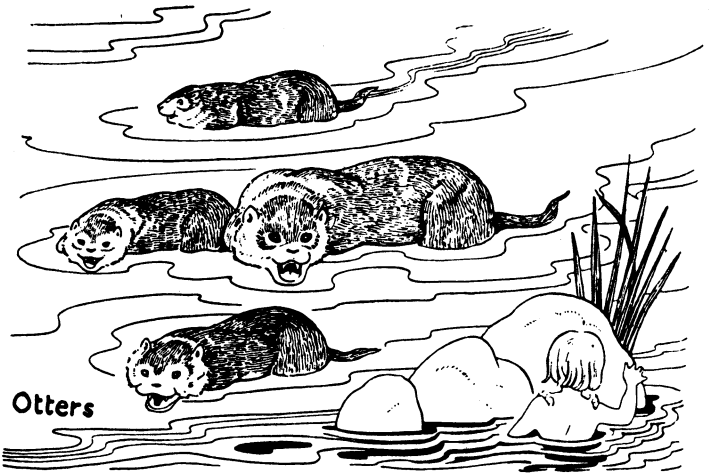
"No! No!" it said. "You cannot catch me."

"Do not go away," said Tom. "I have no friends here. Stay and be my friend. I will not catch you."

"You cannot catch me; and I do not want to stay. I shall go and see all this beautiful country. Then I may come back and tell you what I have seen. I may!—if you are good and do not catch flies and hurt little creatures."

6. *THE OTTERS*

One day Tom was sitting talking to the dragon-fly when he heard a great noise. Four or five big beautiful creatures were swimming about in the water. They seemed very big to Tom because Tom, the waterbaby, was very small.



They were *otters*. One of the little otters opened its mouth and swam at Tom. Tom swam quickly away and hid in some stones.

The otter waited. "Come out," it said. "If you do not come out, I shall come in and eat you."

" You will eat me if I come out," said Tom.

Then the Mother-Otter came.

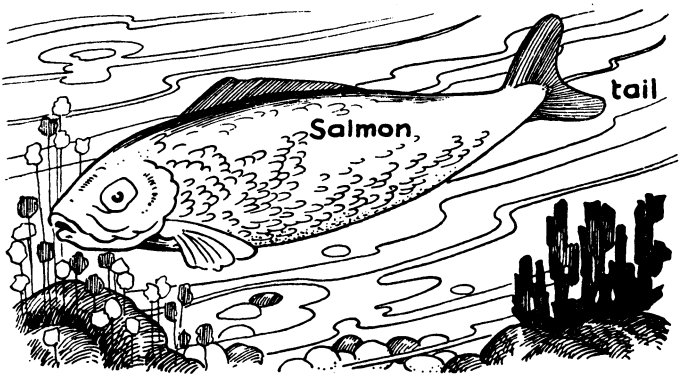
" Do not eat that little thing," she said. " I do not know what it is. I never saw a thing like that before. It may be bad for you. Look! It has no *tail*: it is not a fish. All fishes have tails. I think it is a frog."

" I am not a frog!" said Tom.

" You are not good to eat. But the *Salmon* eat anything. They will eat you, and then we shall eat the Salmon."

" What are Salmon? " said Tom.

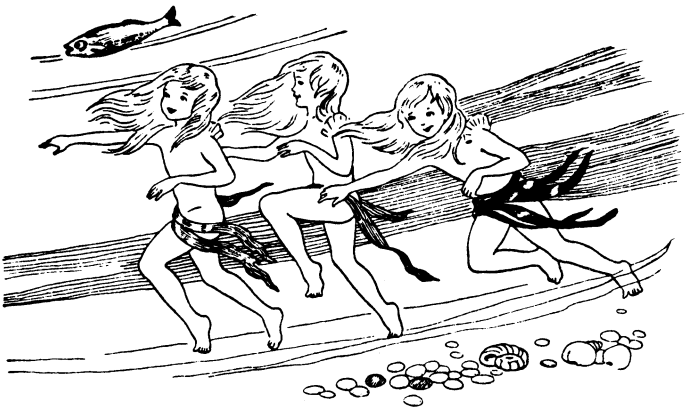
" Salmon? They are fish. Big, beautiful fish. They live in the sea, but they come up the river. They are the Kings and Queens of all the fishes. Hundreds of Salmon come up the



river when the rain comes. Then we eat them! And men come and catch them. Men eat the Salmon too."

"What are men?" said Tom.

"Men are big things with arms and legs like frogs. They are very ugly. They have no tails. . . . Come, children, I can smell the rain. The rain is coming. The Salmon are coming. Come down to the sea!"



7. *DOWN TO THE SEA*

A. The sky was black. The rain fell. More and more rain fell.

The river became bigger and bigger. Its water carried Tom away. He could not swim against it. He was carried on and on. Mrs. Otter and her children came swimming by. "Come on, Ugly Thing," she cried as she went by. "Come to the great sea."

"Everything is going down to the sea," said Tom. "But what is the 'sea'? Is it like a river?"

Three little girls came very quickly by (they were Waterbabies). They did not speak to him. They went so quickly that he did not see what they were. "Some new fishes," he thought. "Beautiful fishes. They may be salmon."

Night came. Tom slept, but the river carried him on and on, down and down to the sea.

Then the sun came up into the sky. Tom looked and he saw the sea. "How big it is!" he cried. "I shall be lost in this big sea. I shall not know where I am!—Oh!" He saw

the Salmon. They were swimming up the river.

As they went they jumped up out of the water. There were hundreds of big beautiful fishes, one after another. Then one very big salmon came. He was helping another salmon. "Wait behind this rock," he said. "Then you will be ready to go on again."

Then he saw Tom. "What are you doing here?" he said.

"Oh, do not hurt me!" cried Tom. "I want to look at you. You are so big and beautiful."

"Ah!" said the King Salmon. "Yes: I have seen other things like you. They are very good. One of them came to me and said, 'There are nets in that place: do not go there.' They were Waterbabies."

"Waterbabies?" said Tom.

"Yes: waterbabies, like you," said the King Salmon. "Were there no waterbabies in the river?"

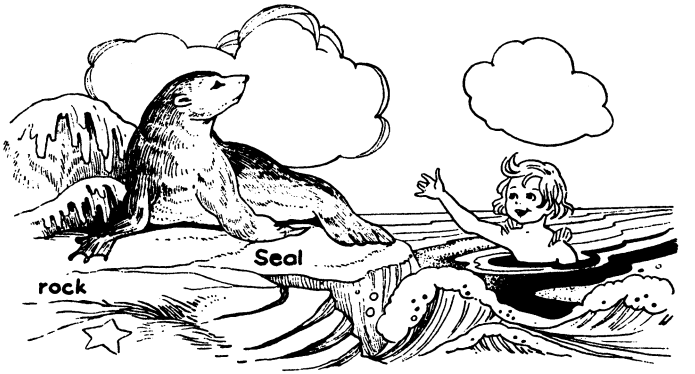
"I did not see any," answered Tom. "But there were Otters, and the Mother Otter said, 'We shall kill the Salmon.'"

"Ah!" said the King Salmon. "She said that! I shall look and see where she is and go

another way. Now, are you ready, my Queen? Shall we go on now? "

The Salmon went on up the river.

B. Tom swam out into the sea. He saw a big *rock* standing up out of the sea. As he went, many fishes swam past him. Then a big *seal* came by.

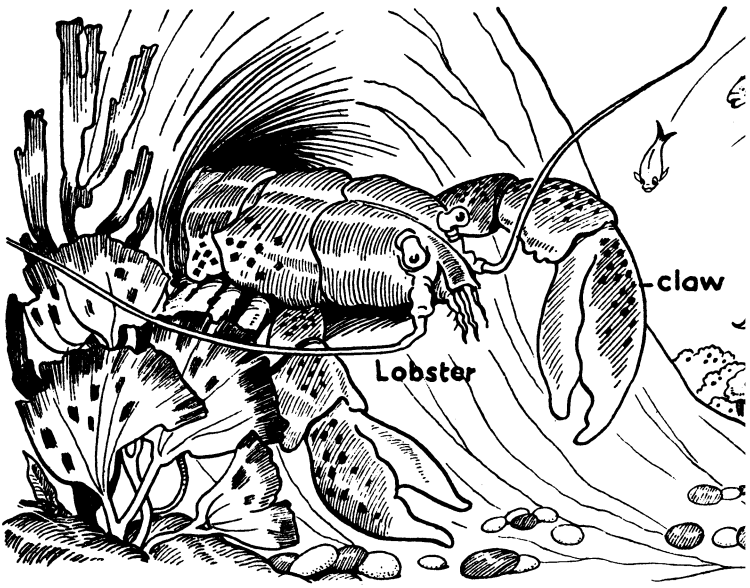


"Good morning," said Tom. "What a beautiful place this is!"

The old seal looked at Tom. "Good morning," he said. "Are you looking for your little brothers and sisters? I saw them back there—where I have come from."

"Oh, yes! Yes!" said Tom. "Now I shall have friends!"

He came to the rock. There were *barnacles* living on it in little houses like tents. Tom asked the barnacles: "Have you seen any waterbabies near here?" But the barnacles stayed in their little tent-like houses and did not answer. There were sea-flowers which were not flowers, but living creatures. Tom asked the sea-flowers, "Have you seen any waterbabies near here?" But the sea-flowers said, "We have no eyes and do not see anything." A *lobster* lived in a hole in the rock. He had

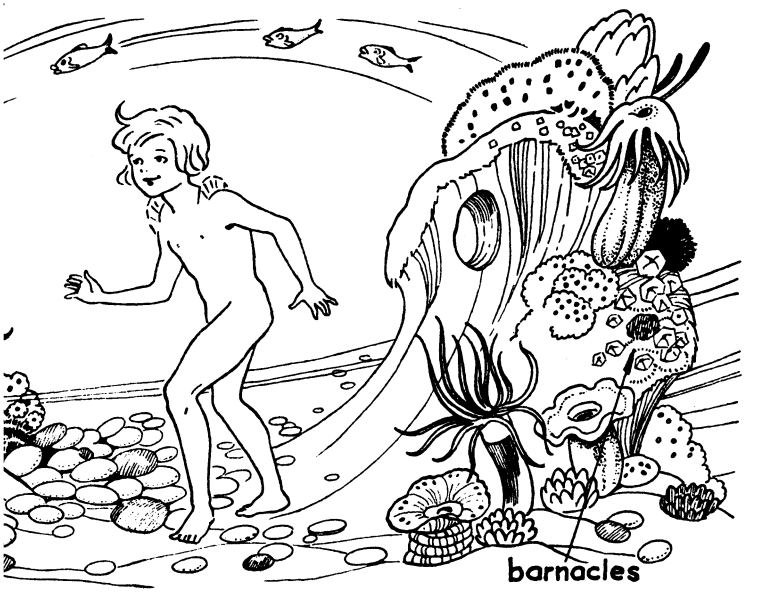


one big *claw* and one little claw, and he could make his eyes look back behind him.

Tom asked the lobster, " Have you seen any waterbabies near here?"

The lobster said, " Waterbabies? I do not like waterbabies. They tell little fish to keep away from my claw. They are ugly things: they have no shell and their eyes cannot look behind them. Bah! Waterbabies! "

Then he looked at Tom. " Are you a waterbaby? You are as ugly as a waterbaby. Go away! "



8. *ELLIE BECOMES A WATERBABY*

This is a sea-side place. People go to a sea-side place in the *holidays.* They sit on the *sand.* Children walk in the water, or swim. Little children make sand-houses.

As Tom went on looking for waterbabies he came near the sea-side place. He saw children swimming in the water. He said, " Are those waterbabies? No! They are very big. They are much bigger than I am, and they swim on top of the water."

The name of the little girl in the bed in the white room was Ellie. Ellie had come to the sea-side place. She was walking on the sand near the sea. Her mother was with her. She walked out along a rock and looked down into the water. As she looked down, Tom looked up. She saw Tom.

"Oh!" she cried. "Look! Look! Look! There's a waterbaby!"

Her mother said, "A—what?"

"A waterbaby," said Ellie. "I read about waterbabies in my fairy-story book. And there is a waterbaby."

She put her head down nearer the water so as to see Tom. She put out her hands, and

SPLASH

she fell into the water. Her head hit the rock.

"Oh! Oh! Oh!" cried Ellie's mother. "Help! Help!"

Ellie's father ran. He jumped into the water. Ellie was carried to the house. Her eyes were shut. She was very ill.

Ellie was in bed. It was night. The window was open, and the noise of the sea, " Ssh—ssh—ssh," came into the room.

Then, through the open window, there came two water-fairies, and they carried Ellie, the waterbaby, away to the sea.

Ellie's mother came into the room. She

looked at Ellie—on the bed. She said, " She is very ill; but her face is very happy! "

Ellie, the waterbaby, was far away with the other waterbabies in the sea. When Ellie is not ill, when she is well again, the waterbaby-Ellie, will go back to her and they will be one little girl again.

9. *TOM FINDS HIS WATERBABIES*

Tom swam on—and on—and on. He swam far out to sea. Then he saw a rock, and sand near the rock. On the sand he saw a water-baby—a girl-waterbaby. She was putting sea-flowers in their places on the rock under the water, and taking away the sea-plants thrown up on the sand.

"Hullo!" said Tom.

"Oh!" she cried. "A new waterbaby! I have not seen you before. How nice!"

"Where have you been?" said Tom. "I have been looking for waterbabies everywhere. Is there only one waterbaby?—You? Or two —you and me?"

"Oh, no!" she said. "There are hundreds of waterbabies. Come and help me to *tidy** this rock and put things back in their places. This stone must go there, and this water-flower goes there! The sand must be a nice clean floor."

So they worked tidying the rock. After some time Tom heard a noise. He looked

* A room is tidy when everything is in its place. In an untidy room things are thrown about here and there and anywhere.

behind him and he saw many other water-babies; they were looking at him and *laughing*. Then they began to swim and jump about in the water.

" Come," said the girl-waterbaby, " we have done our work. Now we will *play:* we will play with the others, and then we must all go home."

So Tom played with the waterbabies and he was very happy. After a time they all went down

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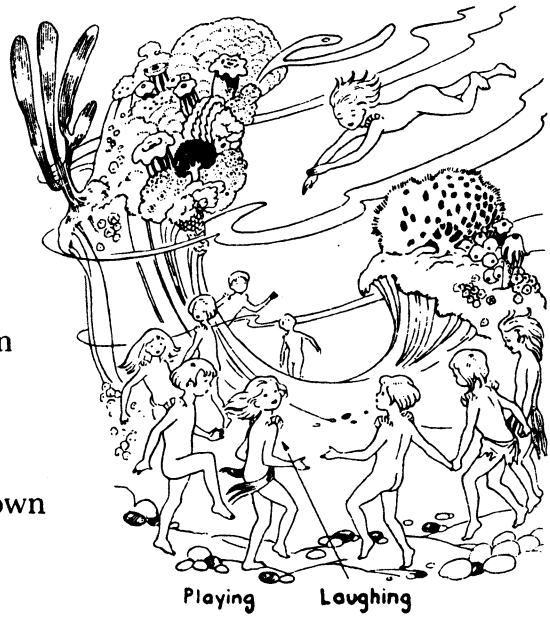
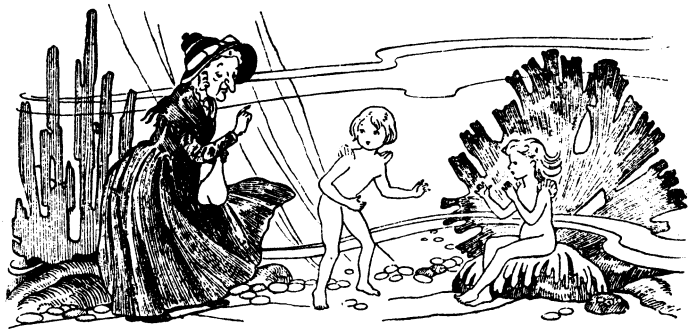


to the Home of the Waterbabies under the sea.

10. *THE HOME OF THE WATERBABIES*

When Tom was a chimney-sweep he was a bad boy. He threw a stone at the servant's horse; he liked to hurt other things which could not hurt him. When Tom was in the Home of the Waterbabies, he was not very good. He swam after little fishes and caught them, and hurt them; he broke the caddis's door. When a sea-flower opened its mouth for food he put a stone in it and laughed. When a water-baby made a house of sea-shells, Tom hit it and it fell down.

"Oh!" she said. "Look what you have done! Mrs. Bedoneby Asyoudid * will be



* Teacher please explain that the name Be-done-by-as-you-did means, "You must be treated as you have treated other people."

angry with you. Mrs. Bedoneby says, ' Others will do to you what you do to them. If you do bad things to others, bad things will be done to you. If you do good, good things will be done to you.' "

One morning Mrs. Bedoneby came. She was dressed in black: she was very ugly. All the waterbabies stood in a line. She looked at each waterbaby and said, " Ha! " To some she said, " Ha! Good! "; to others she said, " Ha! Not so good." She gave each water-

baby *a sweet*—a nice thing to eat. She gave a very nice sweet to the good waterbabies, a not so nice sweet to the not so good waterbabies. Then she came to Tom, and she said, " Ha! Bad! " and she put something in his mouth.

" Oh! " cried Tom: it was very bad!

"Oh! *Pah!* *Booh!* Why did you put that in my mouth? You bad, ugly old woman!"

"You put stones in the mouths of the sea-flowers; so I put that thing in your mouth," she said. "I do bad things to you because you have done bad things to others. I am ugly, but my sister is beautiful. If you are a good boy, you will see her."

Tom said, "I *will* be good!"—and he was good for many days. Then one day Mrs. Doasyou Wouldbedoneby * came. She was dressed in white, and her face was very beautiful.

She looked at Tom.

"Who are you?" she asked.

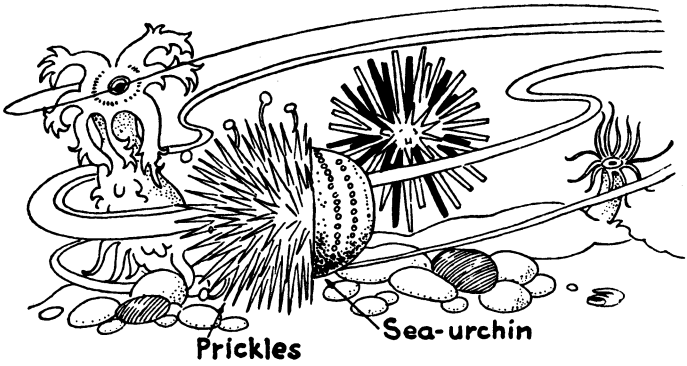
"He is the new waterbaby," they all cried. "He never had a mother."

"Then I will be his mother," said Mrs. Doasyou. She took Tom in her arms and he was very happy.

"Now be a good boy," she said, "and I will see you again when I come back."

* Do-as-you-would-be-done-by = Treat others as you want them to treat you.

11. *PRICKLES*



A. This thing has *prickles*; it is prickly. It is a "*sea-urchin*". A sea-urchin is a very prickly little shell-fish. It has things like needles on it so that you cannot touch it. If you touch it, it hurts you.

Tom wanted to be a good boy; but it was very hard. When he was a chimney-sweep he had no friends; he worked all day with Grimes; he never played with other boys. He did not know how to play with the other waterbabies. He liked the other waterbabies, but sometimes he was angry with them. A girl put her hand on his shells and he spoke angrily to her; then a boy said, "Do not speak like that!" and Tom hit the boy. The other waterbabies said,

"He is prickly. It is hard to be friends with Tom."

Mrs. Doasyou Wouldbedoneby came to see the waterbabies. Tom was very pleased when he saw her. He ran to her. He thought, "She will take me in her arms like a mother." But she did not. She looked at him, and said, "Oh!"

Tom said, "What?"

She said, "Look at yourself. Look in this glass."

Tom looked: he was covered all over with prickles like a sea-urchin.

Tom began to cry. " What shall I do? " he said. " I do not want to be prickly. Please *teach* me: tell me how I can take away my prickles."

" I cannot teach you, but I think I can find a teacher for you." She went away.

Tom thought, " She will send some angry old woman, or someone like Mrs. Bedoneby, and I shall not like that! "

Mrs. Doasyou came back bringing a beautiful little girl waterbaby. She was the most beautiful little girl he had ever seen.

" There he is," said Mrs. Doasyou. " Teach him not to be prickly. Do you think you can do that ? "

" Yes," said the little girl. " I can do that. He is a very good boy inside. The prickles are on the outside and they will soon go away."

B. Soon Tom was playing happily with the other waterbabies and nearly all the prickles had gone. Then one day *all* the prickles had gone.

The little girl teacher looked at him and said, " I can see your face quite well now. All the prickles have gone. I have seen you before—somewhere."

" And I have seen you," said Tom.

" I have seen you before, but you were not the same as you are now. Your face was black. You were the chimney-sweep. Oh, Tom! Dear Tom! "

" And you were the girl in the big white room! "

Then Tom told Ellie how he got over the garden wall, about his long long walk over the hills, and how he came to the little house with the twelve children in it, and the old woman in a white dress.

" I think she was Mrs. Doasyou Wouldbedoneby, and the other old woman, dressed in black who spoke to Grimes, was Mrs. Bedoneby Asyoudid."

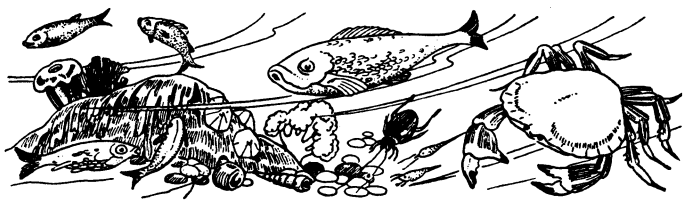
Then Ellie told Tom how she saw him in the sea near the rock, and how she fell in. " And after that I do not know what happened. I found myself here, among the waterbabies."

" And now we can play together always and you will not call out " Help! Help! when you see me; and I will not be prickly any more."

But Ellie looked sad. She said, " Mrs. Doasyou says that I am well now, and I must go back. My father and mother want me."

" No one wants me," said Tom.

" Oh, yes! " said Ellie, " I want you. When I go back, I will tell my father and mother to want you. Then you will come."



12. *THE END*

Ellie opened her eyes. Her mother and father were standing by her bed in the big white room.

" She will be well now," said the *doctor.*

" It has been a long illness," said Ellie's mother. " Will she soon be happy and playing in the garden again as before? "

" Soon," said the doctor.

But Ellie was not happy. She said, " I want Tom."

" Tom? " said her mother.

" Yes; the chimney-sweep-boy. His name is Tom. He jumped out of the window and the servants ran after him; and he ran away, over the hills, very far. But you must find him."

It may be that Ellie's mother knew about waterbabies and Mrs. Bedoneby and Mrs. Doasyou. She said, " Yes, Ellie; we will ask father to find him."

So all the servants went out over all the hills. They asked, " Have you seen a boy? He ran away from Sir John's house. He was a chimney-sweep."

But no one had seen him.

Then one day Sir John was riding very far over the hills, and he looked down and he saw a little house, with a garden in front, and an old woman in a white dress, and twelve children came out from the door—all just as Tom had

told Ellie and Ellie had told her mother, and Ellie's mother had told Sir John.

He rode down the hill and he went along a lane and he came to the cottage. He said, "Have you seen a boy?—a chimney-sweep."

And the Old Lady dressed in white said, "Oh, yes. He has been very very ill. Come into the house with me."

Tom was on a bed in the little room behind the school-room. His eyes were shut.

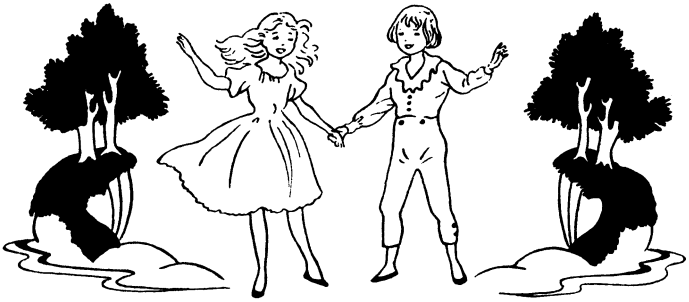
Sir John rode quickly back and brought Ellie.

" Is this the boy ? " he said.

Then Ellie said, " Tom ! Tom !—We want you. Don't be prickly, Tom ; but come ! "

And Tom opened his eyes.

13. (You can tell this yourself.)



QUESTIONS

1A. 1. What goes up a chimney?
2. What work did Tom do?
3. With whom did Tom live?

1B. 1. Who was the man on a horse?
2. Who rode on the donkey?
3. The Old Woman's clothes were –. What?

1C. 1. What did Tom want to do?
2. Why was the Old Woman angry? " Because ... ..."
3. Could Tom see the Old Woman when he looked back?

2A. 1. Into what room did Tom come out?
2. Who was in the room?
3. What fell?
4. What did she cry out?

2B. 1. Tom fell on to a –. What?
2. What did Tom see from the hill?
3. Who was in the garden?

3. 1. Who were at the other side of the room?
2. The woman was dressed in –. What?
3. What did the woman bring to Tom?
4. Of what did Tom think?

4. 1. What do we do when we dream?
2. What did Tom see in front of him in the water?
3. What has the woman brought to the fairies? " A new little ...."

5A. 1. Tom had been changed into a –. What?
2. What did a caddis change into?
3. What did Tom do to the caddis-house?
4. Was Tom happy?

5B. 1. The ugly creature caught Tom's –. What?
2. A dragon-fly is the ... of all the ....

6. 1. The Mother Otter said, " Tom is not a fish because he has no –." What?
2. What do Salmon eat?
3. What will the Otters eat?
4. What can the Otter smell?

7A. 1. Where was everything going?
2. Three little (What?) came by.
3. Where were the salmon swimming?
4. What did one of the Waterbabies tell the King Salmon? "There are ... in that place."

7B. 1. What had the seal seen?
2. In what sort of house does a barnacle live?
3. Where did the lobster live?
4. Why did the lobster think waterbabies ugly?

8. 1. Write the name of any sea-side place.
2. What was the name of the little girl?
3. Whom did she see in the water?
4. What did the two waterbabies do to her?

9. 1. What does " tidy " mean?
2. What did Tom help the girl waterbaby to do?
3. Where did Tom go?

10. 1. What did Tom do to the waterbaby's house?
2. How was Mrs. Bedoneby dressed?
3. Did she put a sweet in Tom's mouth?
4. What will Mrs. Doasyou be to Tom?

11A. 1. Why is it hard to be friends with Tom? " Because he is ...." What?
2. Who will teach Tom?

11B. 1. Who was the girl-waterbaby?
2. What did Tom say? " No one ... ."
3. What will the girl tell her father and mother to do?

12. 1. What did Ellie say?
2. Who found Tom?
3. What did Ellie say when she saw Tom?

13. Tell the end of the story in your own language.

LIST OF EXTRA WORDS

Barnacle 7B

Caddis 5A
chimney 1A
claw 7B
clean 1A
climb 1A
crash 2A
creature 5A
cricket 5A
crown 4

Dirty 1A
dragon-fly 5B
dream 4

Fly 5B

Holiday 8
hurt 4

Laughing 9
leg 5B
lobster 7B

Otter 6

Play 9
prickles 11A

Rock 7B

Salmon 6
sand 8
seal 7B
sea-urchin 11A
shell 5B
smoke 1A
splash 8
sweep 1A
sweet 10
swim 4

Tail 6
teach 11A
tidy 9

Wing 5B

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